AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Cancelled)
- 7. (Cancelled)
- 8. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:
 - a) treating a plant or plant seed such that treatment decreases expression of an *REF*1 gene in said plant or plant seed; and
 - b) growing said treated plant or plant seed; wherein said growing results in a plant with reduced sinapine content.
- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein said growing results in a plant with reduced hydroxycinnamic acid content.

- 11. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein said treating comprises transfecting said plant or plant seed with a heterologous nucleic acid, wherein said heterologous nucleic acid, or the expression of said heterologous nucleic acid, is able to decrease expression of said *REF1* gene.
- 12. (Original) The method of Claim 11, wherein said heterologous nucleic acid sequence encodes a nucleic acid product which interferes with expression of said *REF1* gene in said plant or said plant seed.
- 13. (Currently amended) The method of Claim 10, wherein said hydroxycinnamic acid is ferulic_acid.
- 14. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein said plant or plant seed is a Brassica or a *Sinapis alba* plant or plant seed.
- 15. (Original) The method of Claim 14, wherein said Brassica plant or plant seed is a *Brassica napus* plant or plant seed.
- 16. (Original) The method of Claim 15, wherein said *Brassica napus* plant or plant seed is a canola plant seed.